## DEPARTMENT OF BENEFIT PAYMENTS

744 P Street, Sacramento 95814



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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 75-237

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DEPARTMENTS

SUBJECT: Public Law 94-44 (Repatriate Program)

PEFEPENCE:

Public Law 94-44, enacted June 28, 1975, changes the period for which eligible repatriated U.S. citizens and their dependents who are not residents of California are able to receive assistance through the Repatriate Program.

Under Public Law 94-44, continuing assistance may be granted for only 90 days from the date of arrival of the eligible repatriate and dependents in the United States. If the repatriate is handicapped in attaining self-support or self-care for such reasons as age, disability or lack of vocational preparation, continuing assistance may be extended upon prior authorization for nine additional months.

Requests for extensions of the period of eligibility for repatriate assistance should be made as soon as it is determined by the county welfare department that there is a need for such an extension. Requests should be submitted to:

Refugee and Repatriate Coordinator Adult Program Management Branch State Department of Benefit Payments 744 P Street Sacramento, CA 95814

This change is effective immediately and applies to all repatriates who have been returned to the United States and are currently receiving continuing assistance under the Repatriate Program, as well as to all future repatriates.

Continuing assistance through the Repatriate Program is available only to eligible repatriates and their dependents who have not resided in California for one year

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prior to their repatriation to the United States and settlement in California. Repatriated U.S. citizens who are residents of California are only eligible for temporary assistance (EAS 68-104) under the Repatriate Program and are to be provided continuing assistance under the regular categorical aid programs.

Inquiries concerning this policy or any other policies of the Repatriate Program should be directed to Stan Koepke, Adult Program Management Branch, (916) 445-0813.

Sincerely,

Chief Deputy Director

cc: CWDA

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